

BRITISH MUSEUM (NATURAL HISTORY),

CROMWELL ROAD,

LONDON: S.W.

27 July 1890

I was very glad that  
at the last meeting of the  
Council of the Linnean  
Society we unanimously  
agreed to recommend you  
for election as a Foreign  
Member. The Certificate  
remains suspended as in  
the case of an Fellow, and  
when the election takes  
place you will receive the  
official invitation. This  
is before the time but I  
cannot refrain from com-  
municating the news to you,  
which is especially gratifying  
to me as having taken place  
while I am in the Chair  
I am with truly yours  
Wm Carruthers

My dear Dr Watson,  
I am much obliged  
for the copy of the new  
edition of the Flora which  
has arrived safely today.  
I am glad you have returned  
the area, including notes  
of the distribution of the  
same flora which Dr Gray  
dealt with.

In regard to our  
duplicates - I will be  
very glad indeed if any  
of them would be of service

to you.

I fear we have nothing  
of value from Eastern Asia.

From S. America we have  
a good set of Gardner's  
plants, which if you  
want I would be glad  
to arrange for you to  
have for a fair

price a cent -

I will let you know  
in the future of anything  
we may have - but  
as a rule I do not

collectors that will  
cause us to deal  
with duplicates. I  
like a sufficient number  
of specimens for the Herb<sup>herb</sup>  
and no more - Duplicates  
are in the way - and  
can be dealt with us  
after a report to the  
Trustees, and authority  
from them. The Gardner  
duplicate set I got  
with Shuttleworth's  
Herbarium - and they  
seem a very good  
set -